

A SIMPLE PLASTIC COLLECTING BAG.—The metal vasculum has long been the botanist's public label and a very useful piece of equipment. At times it is a bit cumbersome, if one is not too professionally disposed. Often I have used the newspaper method, which is convenient if little or no collecting materializes, but the paper does dry out and becomes frayed with rolling and unrolling.

The past summer I needed to take the train to the point of field work and wished to dispense with unessential baggage. Considering the newspaper method for daily collecting, I reflected that a sheet of plastic would be both simpler and more effective. When I mentioned the possibility of a plastic bag, my wife suggested a pillow case. This (with zipper) was added to the equipment and proved sufficiently satisfactory to merit a note on its use.

The plastic bag has some disadvantages, including exposure to sunshine. A little paper for lining or wrapping individual lots, might be helpful. It is very convenient if no collecting is done since it can be carried in the pocket. It is nice where plants are transferred to the press in a short time and is satisfactory for as long a period as the vasculum.—O. A. STEVENS, North Dakota Agricultural College, Fargo, N. D.

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AN UNUSUAL STATION FOR EASTERN WHITE PINE.—In June 1949 the writer discovered a single white pine (*Pinus strobus* L.) growing on the west side of the Bondcliff Trail about 1/8 mile from the summit of Mt. Bond (4714 ft.) in the town of Lincoln, N. H. The point where the tree stands is between 4500' and 4600' above sea level as estimated from the U. S. G. S. Map. This is on a southwest slope in dense scrub balsam fir, and occasional black spruce, which reaches to shoulder height. The pine is about 2 inches in diameter and, while stunted and crowded by the surrounding scrub, appears to be healthy and exhibits no blister rust infection. Skunk currant bushes, abundant on the other side of the mountain were not observed in the immediate vicinity.

The occurrence of white pine at this place appears to be noteworthy both because of the altitude, and distance from other pines that could have provided a source of seed as well as the